(d) The average per capita income for rural migrants to urban areas is not available separately. However, according to the latest available estimates for 1980-81 the per capita income was Rs. 1245 in rural areas and Rs. 280 in urban areas at current prices.

Scheme for the development of wasteland in Andhra Pradesh

2712. SHRI T. VENKATARAM REDDY :
SHRI S. PRATHAPA REDDY :

PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have prepared any Scheme for the development of waste-land in the State of Andhra Pradesh:

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) the assistance provided to the State Government in this regard during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WASTELANDS DEELOPMENT) (COL. RAM SINGH) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, Since its creation in July, 1992, the Department of Wastelands Development is implementing Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Integrated Wastelands Development Project and Grants-in-Aid in various parts of the country including Andhra Pradesh. The main objective of Integrated Wasteland Development Project scheme is to augment availability of wood and non wood products specially fuelwood and fodder. Under this scheme projects are prepared on mocro watershed basis through the exercise of detailed micro planning carried out in active consultation with the total people. The scneme is being implemented mainly on non-forest wastelands. A similar scheme with the Little "Integrated Afforestation and Eco-Development Project" is being implemented by the Ministry of Environment and Forests. However, this scheme is being implemented mainly on degraded forest lands. The main objective of Grants-in-Aid Scheme is to provide financial financial assistance to the voluntary agencies to carry out various activities for sustainable development of wastelands. These activities would include nursery raising, plantation, pasture development, awareness raising etc. Financial assistance is directly relased to the voluntary agencies.

(c) Fifteen projects have so far been sanctioned under Integrated Wasteland Development Project and Integrated Afforestation & Eco-Developmemt schemes. An assistance of Rs. 1.71 crores curing 1991-92. Rs. 1 02 crore during 1992-93 and Rs. 7.99 crore during 1993-94 has been released to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh under these projects.

Value of Assets Created under JRY

2713. SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY :
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the value of assets which have been created by the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana during the last year;

(b) whether these assets are being properly maintained;

(c) whether Government have a proposal to modify the guidelines of JRY; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOMENT) (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) The primary objective of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) is the generation of additional gainful employment for unemployed and underemployed persons in the rural areas and creation of assets is incidental to it. The expenditure incurred on assets created under JRY and not the value of assets created under the Yojana is monitored at the Government of India level. During the financial year 1993-94, an expenditure of Rs. 2742.40 crores was incurred on the creation of different types of assets under JRY.

(b) A maximum of 10% of the total allocation under JRY can be spent on the maintenance of assets created under JRY or under the erstwhile programmes of National Rural Employment Programme/Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme.

(c) and (d) On the basis of the experience gained during the implementation of wage employment programmes, certain changes were made during the year 1993-94 with regard to the utilisation of funds and effective functioning of JRY. The details of these changes are given in the Statement.